

HINTS TO ACCOUNTANTS.

Add it just once more.
It pays to take a balance of balances.
Better think about it at the time; some think about it at the end of the month.
Look for the exact amount of your error; you possibly overlooked it in posting.
Have you any systematic way of checking? Check as you post; it's easier and quicker.
Divide it by two and look for a debit on the credit side, or for a credit on the debit side.
If you make an error, carefully rule a line through it with red ink; then write the correction above it.
Remember that the books are firm property, and you are at liberty to reveal no secrets they may contain.
Be sure to put the books in the vault each night; you will never realize the value of this precaution until you're in a fire.
Study the needs of the business; plan special routines to facilitate the handling of the business. Do not make radical changes at a time.
Don't be in a hurry to suggest new methods to the senior member of the firm. He is likely to think he knows more about his business than you do.
How about your writing? Or your English? And your spelling? Or do you know nothing but bookkeeping? If you do not, you'll never be the manager; you'll always be the bookkeeper.
If it's exactly divisible by nine, look out for a transposition, such as 18-81, 27-72, 36-63, etc. The number of times nine is contained in the error will be the difference between two transposed digits. Illustration: 847 45 is the error; it contains nine just five times; hence the transposed digits must have been 16 as 61, 27 as 72, 38 as 83, 49 as 94, etc.

WISE AND WEIGHTY.

"We grow strong by duties performed. We grow moral" and spiritually weak by duties neglected."
"The ventures of faith are ever rewarded. We cannot set our expectations too high. What we dare sincerely hope now, we shall one day remember."
"The gold in the quartz is valuable, but the gold purified by fire is more valuable. The ordeal of suffering makes the good more beautiful. It is the smelting of the ore."
"Courage is the great quality. It must rest on faith, of course; for few of us could be courageous if we stood alone. It is fed by hope and it lives by love. But somehow it is the fine flower in this trouble life of all these high qualities."

MEN, WOMEN AND WAYS.

The enemies we forgive are generally those that are bigger than we are.
A woman writes a letter because she has something to say or nothing else to do.
Perhaps truth is stranger than fiction because we don't get so well acquainted with it.
It is the fellow who can't sing who generally has things offered to him for a song.

One-Sided.

"Do you have any difficulty with your new furnace?"
"No; no, I don't suppose you could call it that. I swear at it fifty times a day, but it never swears back."—Chicago Tribune.

UNDER WHICH KING?

"The More Postum the More Food—The More Coffee the More Poison."

The Pres. of the W. C. T. U. in a young giant state in the Northwest says:

"I did not realize that I was a slave to coffee till I left off drinking it. For three or four years I was obliged to take a nerve tonic every day. Now I am free, thanks to Postum Food Coffee."

"After finding out what coffee will do to its victims, I could hardly stand to have my husband drink it; but he was not willing to quit. I studied for months to find a way to induce him to leave it off. Finally I told him I would make no more coffee."

"I got Postum Food Coffee, and made it strong—boiled it the required time, and had him read the little book, 'The Road to Wellville,' that comes in every pkg."

"To-day Postum has no stronger advocate than my husband! He tells our friends how to make it, and that he got through the winter without a spell of the grip and has not had a headache for months—has used to be subject to frequent nervous headaches."

"The stronger you drink Postum the more food you get; the stronger you drink coffee the more poison you get." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason.

FOR SURVEY OF GREENLAND

Danish Explorer Will Try to Make a Reliable Map of Outlines of the Island.

Greenland is the largest island in the world, but we do not know exactly how much it exceeds New Guinea in area. There is a long stretch of its northeast coast that has not yet been surveyed. The money has been raised to complete this survey. About the middle of June next the Danish explorer Mylius Erichsen will lead a party to that region to complete our knowledge of the periphery of Greenland.

Erichsen is well known for the good work he has done in West Greenland and the important undertaking now confided to him is believed to be in excellent hands. The expedition will be gone two years and it is the intention to make a thoroughly good survey.

The party will sail on the steamer Denmark with a fine equipment and 21 persons in the crew and scientific staff, which will include a geologist, biologist, botanist, physician and artist, for it is intended to paint some of the scenes along the coast. Seventy sledges, dogs and some motor-boats for overhauling the fjords if the ice conditions will permit are a part of the equipment.

The leader's first plan was to ascend the west coast, obtain a party of the Smith sound natives and cross the inland ice with them to the unknown coast. But when Peary went north a few months ago he secured all the best men among the natives for his north polar expedition and so Erichsen has decided to take his vessel straight to the east coast. He is certain to find a good harbor in about latitude 75. In the region explored by the Kold expedition, and here the party will spend next winter.

In March, 1907, a party of 12 men with sledges and dogs will start for the extreme north, mapping the unknown coast as they advance. They expect to complete the survey to Independence bay, thus joining their delineation of the coast with Peary's mapping of Independence bay and the island to the north of Greenland. It is hoped that the party will be able to return to the ship late in the summer. It will be too late, however, to return home that year and so Erichsen proposes to supplement the next survey with studies of the interior ice map and if conditions are favorable he may even attempt to cross the island from east to west. The party will return home in 1908.

It will be remembered that the date of Greenland last summer, admitted the coast of east Greenland for about 100 miles north of the highest point hitherto reached on that coast, but the journey was a rapid one on his return, with no opportunity for careful survey. The most definite information he brought home was that the shores, unlike all the other coasts of Greenland, seemed to be almost wholly destitute of deep indentations.

HE'D HAVE KNOWN IT.

What George Ade Thought About a Report of His Coming Marriage.

The report was current a short time ago, that George Ade, whose many books of wise fables adorn the Harper list, and whose side-splitting comments on matrimony have become current aphorism, had himself been caught in the toils, and was to wed Miss Dorothy Tennant, the actress who has made such a hit in Mr. Ade's play, "The College Widow." A recent New York daily publishes an amusing interview with the fabulist and playwright about his own marriage.

"Are you going to marry Miss Tennant?" asked the hopeful reporter, respectfully.

"Not that I know of," said the playwright, "and I think I would have the first tip."

"Why not?" pursued the intrepid interviewer.

"Well, for one reason," said Mr. Ade, I have a tenant on my farm now."

"Are there any other reasons?" persisted the pertinacious pencil pusher, when the wild uproarious laughter had subsided.

"Yes," said Mr. Ade, gravely, "I may be a farmer, but no one can accuse me of being a husbandman."

Moral—It's a smooth guy that knows when to sidestep."

Growing Lemons in Kentucky.

S. H. McMakin, one of the best known residents of Shelby county, is convinced that lemons can be raised in Kentucky as he has grown them himself. One specimen measures thirteen inches in circumference. Mr. McMakin planted a slip sent him by a friend in New York and obtained several lemons of great size. They require too much attention to be grown in Kentucky to any extent, but a few can be raised without difficulty.—Louisville Post.

Morning Goods.

"Do you sell mourning goods?" asked the woman entering the department store.

"Yes, madam," replied the polite floor-walker; "you'll find the breakfast counter in the basement, two aisles to the right."—Yonkers Statesman.

Making Room.

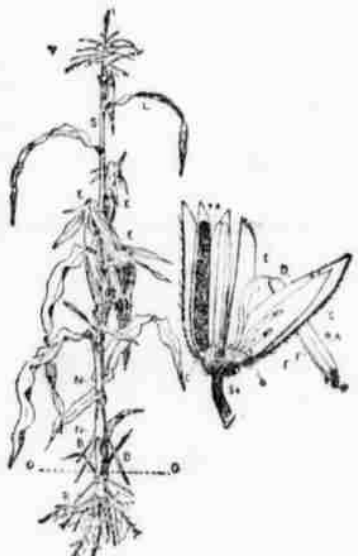
She—We ought to have an upright piano for our new flat. It would take up less room than our square one.
He—I can't afford to buy a new piano. You'll have to turn the square piano on end.—Yonkers Statesman.

AGRICULTURAL HINTS.

PARTS OF CORN PLANT.

An Explanation Will Be Helpful to the Man Who Is Growing the Crop.

Every well-developed corn plant consists of primary and secondary roots; the stem, stalk, or culm; the leaves, the flower, and the kernel or seed. The accompanying cut, according to DeWitt C. Wing, the author of "The Improvement of Corn in Pennsylvania," shows an entire plant at tasseling time with the various parts identified. In this illustration T represents the tassel; S, stalk; L, leaf; E, E. E. ears; N, N. nodes; B, B. brace roots; R, earth roots; G, G. surface of the ground. The illustration to the right shows a spikelet cut lengthwise to expose its two flowers; the one on the right fully open, the other not yet mature. Sk, stalklet; C, C. outer bracts; D, E. inner bracts of the open flower; G, lodicules, which



PARTS OF CORN PLANT SHOWN.

by swelling spread the bracts apart; F, F. filaments cut across; P, filament bearing ripe anther (R A) shedding pollen (P); Y A, young anthers the left hand one cut to show the pollen.

While many are more or less familiar with the parts of the corn plant and the purposes for which each is intended, the following extract from this bulletin contains some information that is interesting:

"The primary roots are fine and fibrous, and are produced in abundance. They are the feeders of the plant. Like other members of the grass family the corn plant has no tap root. For this reason the roots branch out laterally in all directions, and in deep, dry or sandy soils considerable vertical extension is made in the search for moisture. In soil containing adequate moisture the roots grow near the surface. This explains the philosophy of shallow cultivation. Water and plant food are taken up by the root hairs with which the primary roots are provided and conveyed through them to the plant above the surface.

The secondary or brace roots begin to develop about the time the crop is 'tall by.' These grow out at the lower nodes (where the stalk is jointed), as shown in Fig. 1. Aside from aiding in holding the plant erect these adventitious roots really have no special function. The writer has always regarded them as emergency roots; that is, they do not have any special work to perform unless an accident befalls the plant. If the plant should be blown down or partially uprooted so that the brace roots on one side were pushed into the soil they would then set about to repair the injury, sending forth primary roots from themselves and collecting water and food. It is a mistake to throw dirt toward and against the hills of corn in order to cover the brace roots; they do not require covering, and do not seem to serve any particular purpose except in cases of accident or where the surface soil is continually moist and the cultivation deep.

The tassel is the male and the silk the female of the corn plant. Pollen grains are produced by the tassel, from 18,000,000 to twice that number being developed by a healthy tassel. These grains contain live germs which when coming in contact with the female parts or ovules fertilize them, and thus make possible the grain. Silks are hollow, and their ends, which protrude from the husk, are hairy (under the microscope). This enables them to catch pollen grains more readily which fall upon them from the air.

Get the Sparker in Order.
Man is something like a gasoline engine. He needs a spark to develop his power. The trouble with some men is that the sparker is out of order.

New Zealand Railways.

The state work shops of New Zealand have been working overtime lately, says the Four Track News, building new rolling stock for their railroads on account of the rapid increase of travel. There are few countries more interesting or more scenically wonderful than this South Sea colony.

Uncle Jerry.
"I've seen fellers," said Uncle Jerry Peebles, "so terribly bent on getting into good society, 'gosh, that they went broke!'"—Chicago Tribune.

HIGH CLASS DRUGGISTS AND — OTHERS.

The better class of druggists, everywhere, are men of scientific attainments and high integrity, who devote their lives to the welfare of their fellow men in supplying the best of remedies and purest medicinal agents of known value, in accordance with physicians' prescriptions and scientific formula. Druggists of the better class manufacture many excellent remedies, but always under original or official names and they never sell false brands, or imitation medicines. They are the men to deal with when in need of anything in their line, which usually includes all standard remedies and corresponding adjuncts of a first-class pharmacy and the finest and best of toilet articles and preparations and many useful accessories and remedial appliances. The earning of a fair living, with the satisfaction which arises from a knowledge of the benefits conferred upon their patrons and assistance to the medical profession, is usually their greatest reward for long years of study and many hours of daily toil. They all know that Syrup of Figs is an excellent laxative remedy and that it gives universal satisfaction, and therefore they are selling many millions of bottles annually to the well informed purchasers of the choicest remedies, and they always take pleasure in handing out the genuine article bearing the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—printed on the front of every package. They know that in cases of colds and headaches attended by biliousness and constipation and of weakness or torpidity of the liver and bowels, arising from irregular habits, indigestion, or over-eating, that there is no other remedy so pleasant, prompt and beneficial in its effects as Syrup of Figs, and they are glad to sell it because it gives universal satisfaction.

Owing to the excellence of Syrup of Figs, the universal satisfaction which it gives and the immense demand for it, imitations have been made, tried and condemned, but there are individual druggists to be found, here and there, who do not maintain the dignity and principles of the profession and whose greed gets the better of their judgment, and who do not hesitate to recommend and try to sell the imitations in order to make a larger profit. Such preparations sometimes have the name—"Syrup of Figs"—or "Fig Syrup" and of some piratical concern, or fictitious fig syrup company, printed on the package, but they never have the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—printed on the front of the package. The imitations should be rejected because they are injurious to the system. In order to sell the imitations they find it necessary to resort to misrepresentation or deception, and whenever a dealer passes off on a customer a preparation under the name of "Syrup of Figs" or "Fig Syrup," which does not bear the full name of the California Fig Syrup Co. printed on the front of the package, he is attempting to deceive and mislead the patron who has been so unfortunate as to enter his establishment, whether it be large or small, for if the dealer resorts to misrepresentation and deception in one case he will do so with other medicinal agents, and in the filling of physicians' prescriptions, and should be avoided by every one who values health and happiness. Knowing that the great majority of druggists are reliable, we supply the immense demand for our excellent remedy entirely through the druggists, of whom it may be purchased everywhere, in original packages only, at the regular price of fifty cents per bottle, but as exceptions exist it is necessary to inform the public of the facts, in order that all may decline or return any imitation which may be sold to them. If it does not bear the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—printed on the front of every package, do not hesitate to return the article and to demand the return of your money, and in future go to one of the better class of druggists who will sell you what you wish and the best of everything in his line at reasonable prices.

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